

Alpheus Hyatt House  
19 Francis Avenue  
Cambridge  
Middlesex County  
Massachusetts

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ARCHITECTURAL DATA FORM

STATE Massachusetts	COUNTY Middlesex	TOWN OR VICINITY Cambridge
HISTORIC NAME OF STRUCTURE (INCLUDE SOURCE FOR NAME) Alpheus Hyatt House		HABS NO. MA-883
SECONDARY OR COMMON NAMES OF STRUCTURE		
COMPLETE ADDRESS (DESCRIBE LOCATION FOR RURAL SITES) 19 Francis Avenue		
DATE OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE SOURCE) 1889 (date plaque on front gambrel)	ARCHITECT(S) (INCLUDE SOURCE) Unknown	
SIGNIFICANCE (ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL, INCLUDE ORIGINAL USE OF STRUCTURE) A fine example of the juxtaposition of Queen Anne and Colonial Revival Styles; this house was the home of Alpheus Hyatt, art collector.		
STYLE (IF APPROPRIATE) Queen Anne & Colonial Revival		
MATERIAL OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE STRUCTURAL SYSTEMS) Frame, sheathed in clapboards		
SHAPE AND DIMENSIONS OF STRUCTURE (SKETCHED FLOOR PLANS ON SEPARATE PAGES ARE ACCEPTABLE) Rectangular; 2-1/2 stories; 3-bay front; intersecting gambrel roofs, variety of dormers		
EXTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE 1-story entrance porch, capped by balustrade with finials; palladian-like grouping of 2 windows & a central decorated panel (with date plaque), capped by a garlanded frieze and lunette on east front; on north, a series of spandrel panels with neoclassical ornament.		
INTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE (DESCRIBE FLOOR PLANS, IF NOT SKETCHED) Woodwork with Colonial Revival motifs, such as dentils, garlands, sunbursts, etc.; sliding double doors; large art studio on 2nd floor.		
MAJOR ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS WITH DATES Converted to a 2-family dwelling ca. 1945.		
PRESENT CONDITION AND USE		
OTHER INFORMATION AS APPROPRIATE		
SOURCES OF INFORMATION (INCLUDING LISTING ON NATIONAL REGISTER, STATE REGISTERS, ETC.) Scribner Historic Buildings Series. <u>Historic Buildings of Massachusetts</u> . 1976.		
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